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To: [Quinones, Edwin](#)
Subject: RE: Samples
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Thanks for the quick update

From: Quinones, Edwin

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Hi Ben,

I left a message with Jim Sallans at TCEQ and am awaiting his return call.

I spoke with Parker Wilson, attorney for Valero, who tells me that no formal chain of custody was ever done on their two samples. TCEQ was supposed to have picked up their samples last week, but hasn't done so yet. They are currently being stored in a file cabinet at Valero's plant.

Ed Q.

From: Banipal, Ben

Sent: Monday, May 01, 2017 11:29 AM

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Ed and David,

Thanks for the follow-up. We need to brief Carl and Pam tomorrow morning. We need to address the following questions:

1. Location of these samples at this time/under whose possession
2. Date/time collected (I saw this info. in the tables)
3. When (date) did they ask us to analyze these samples
4. Are we proposing to provide them our method
5. And few more questions, lets discuss

We need to call Wes and Jim again.

Ben

From: Quinones, Edwin

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FYI – The attachments from TCEQ's attorney include a listing of the two Valero samples and the six City of Corpus Christi samples the State is asking us to analyze – eight samples total.

Ed Q.

From: James Sallans [<mailto:james.sallans@tceq.texas.gov>]

Sent: Friday, April 28, 2017 9:27 AM

To: Quinones, Edwin <quinones.edwin@epa.gov>

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Ed:

Attached are basic tables of the sets of samples we discussed yesterday. Please let us know if you need additional information.

Thanks,

Jim